



## Memorandum

To: **Mayor and City Council**  
From: **A. Scott Young**, Assistant City Manager  
Date: 3/16/2001  
Re: Tree Preservation Ordinance

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### Action Requested:

None at this time. Staff will bring this item back to you with the specific changes to the Tree Preservation Ordinance at the April 3, 2001 City Council meeting for consideration.

### Background Information:

In response to the City Council's request Staff has continued to review the Tree Preservation Ordinance. The Ordinance was enacted by council on October 2000. There have been several "instances" within the city that has caused a re-look at the ordinance, such as the cutting of trees with and or without a permit. Staff is bringing to you a presentation that will depict the application of the Tree Preservation Ordinance toward a typical development. We have enclosed for your information the following documents:

- Additional FAQ's, with an emphasis on Custer Creek,
- Photos and sketches of various developments
- Letter from the Texas Forest Service – commenting on the City's Ordinance,
- Staff's response to the letter from the Texas Forest Service, and
- Staff's recommendation for changes to the Tree Preservation Ordinance.

### Alternatives:

The City Council could consider the following alternatives:

- Direct staff to continue in the preparation of the changes to the Tree Preservation Ordinance as detailed in this report.
- Direct staff not to make the changes or to make different changes as directed.

### Financial Considerations:

Staff will not be requesting financial support for these changes. There may be financial implications to developers with the changes although staff does not believe that these would be significant.

### Legal Review:

A legal review of the changes to the ordinance will be required.

**Supporting Documents:**

Included in this packet are the supporting documents that are described above.

**Staff Recommendation:**

Staff recommendations to the Tree Preservation Ordinance are attached.